Higher Education Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program

PROGRAM SUMMARY

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FISCAL YEAR 2003 PROGRAM SUMMARY ALASKA NATIVE-SERVING AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN-SERVING INSTITUTIONS EDUCATION GRANTS PROGRAM

The Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions Education Grants Program, administered by the USDA office of Higher Education Programs and authorized by Title III, Part A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. section 1059d), is a non-competitive grants pro

gram designed to promote and strengthen the ability of Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions to carry out education programs that attract, retain, and graduate outstanding students capable of enhancing the Nation's food and agricultural scientific and professional work force. Projects may involve individual institutions, consortia, or cooperative initiatives between two or more Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian, or with other colleges and universities, units of government, or the private sector.

Only Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions are eligible to apply for grants under this program. An eligible 2- or 4-year college or university must: (1) have at least 20 percent Alaska Native students (where the term "Alaska native" has the meaning given the term in section 9308 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 [20 U.S.C. 7938]); or (2) for a Native Hawaiian-Serving Institution, at the time of application, it has an enrollment of undergraduate students that is at least 10 percent Native Hawaiian students (where the term "Native Hawaiian" has the meaning given the term in section 9212 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 [20 U.S.C. 7912] enrollment and meet other eligibility criteria.

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2002, \$2,869,236 was available to support projects in the following areas of emphasis: (1) Faculty Preparation and Enhancement for Teaching; (2) Curricula Design, Materials Development, and Library Resources; (3) Instruction Delivery Systems; (4) Scientific Instrumentation for Teaching; (5) Student Experiential Learning; and (6) Student Recruitment and Retention (including financial assistance).

A total of 13 different institutions from 2 states submitted 13 proposals for consideration for funding for this fourth year of the program. Institutions submitting proposals were from the following states: Alaska and Hawaii. These 13 proposals requested a total of \$2,869,236 in USDA funding. In May 2002, the grant applications were evaluated by a 9 member peer review panel. The panel was comprised of faculty members of representatives of the Federal government. Panelists represented various academic areas including business, agriculture, natural resources, forestry, veterinary medicine, family and consumer sciences, and closely allied disciplines. Based on the peer review deliberations, funds were available to support 13 grants to 13 lead institutions in 2 states. Although not required by USDA, almost all of these institutions are leveraging Federal grant funds with institutional cost-sharing or third party support.

FY 2003 Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program Projects Supported

PROJECT DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT, AND INSTITUTION	PROJECT TITLE	FUNDS AWARDED
Anthony Nakazawa University of Alaska Fairbanks Fairbanks, Alaska Proposal No.: 2003-04874	Year 3: A Collaboration Between the College of Rural Alaska Extended Campuses and the Alaska Cooperative Extension Service	\$ 923,432
Deborah Linn Prince William Sound Community College Valdez, Alaska Proposal No.: 2003-05492	Safe Handling and Marketing of Native Foods	\$ 179,002
Kathie Santo Etulain University of Alaska Southeast Sitka, Alaska Proposal No.: 2003-05498	Community Wellness Training in Alaska	\$ 179,002
John Tuthill Ilisagvik College Barrow, AK Proposal No.: 2003-05496	Health, Nutrition, and the Inupiat Traditional Diet & Lifestyle	\$ 179,002
David Harrington Sheldon Jackson College Sitka, Alaska Proposal No.: 2003-04873	Enriching Sheldon Jackson College's Fisheries Science and Environmental Science Programs	\$ 201,859
Andrew G. Hashimoto University of Hawaii - Manoa Honolulu, Hawaii Proposal No.: 2003-04875	University of Hawaii Statewide Agricultural Education, Training and Agribusiness Incubator Project	\$ 1,662,297

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Total Funds Awarded to States and Lead Institutions

<u>State</u>	Lead Institution	<u>Awards</u>
Alaska	University of Alaska Fairbanks	\$ 923,432
Alaska	Prince William Sound Community College	179,002
Alaska	University of Alaska Southeast	179,002
Alaska	Sheldon Jackson College	201,859
Alaska	Ilisagvik College	179,002
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Honolulu Community College	498,689
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Maui Community College	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Kapiolani Community College	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Manoa	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Kauai Community College	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Hawaii Community College	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii at Hilo	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Leeward Community College	166,230
Hawaii	University of Hawaii - Windward Community College	<u>166,230</u>
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